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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Chen, et al.

Title: SUSTAINED RELEASE DOSAGE FORMS OF ANESTHETICS FOR PAIN

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a 3-month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action dated 04/09/2008, such extension allowing the undersigned until 10/09/2008 to respond.

Please charge Deposit Account No. **50-1953** in the amount of \$ 1050.00 as set forth in the enclosed transmittal letter. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **50-1953**.

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Respectfully submitted,
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